9: Cardim--481 (1583-1601) 1906 Tupinamba
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"Timbo are certaine wonderfull herbes, that growe from the earth like a string unto the highest top of the Mulberie trees, where they are, and some growe close to the tree like Ivie: they are very strong, and serve for bindings, and some are as big as a mans leg, and winde them never so hard they never breake, the barke of these is very fine poison, and serveth for a baite to kill the fish, and it is so strong, that in the Rivers wherein it is cast it leaveth not a fish alive as farre as it hath his vertue, and of these there be many sorts, and profitable as well for binders, as for to kill fishes."

26: Thevet--242 G-3 (1555) 1928 Tupinamba
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They have brought in large pots the Maussorent, a large cotton rope, having at least 30 brassées [MJ: span of the arm] in length, and put it in their Carbe, the square in the middle of their villages: Being in place, they stretch it on branches in order to dry it, then they bleach it. After the drying, the oldest among them take it to make a knotted rope which is quite a difficult task.